

## DRAFT Agenda

Focus: Experience and New Perspectives October 3 - 4, 2006

Focus: HOPE, Detroit, MI

9-9:30 Registration & Networking Continental Breakfast

9:30 – 10:30 **Welcome and Opening Remarks** 

Eleanor M. Josaitis Co-founder FOCUS:Hope

Robert Swanson, Director Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth

Brenda C. Njiwaji, Director Bureau of Workforce Programs

10:30-10:45 **Networking/Break** 

10:45-12:00 Panel Presentation: Forging Relationships Between Business and K-12

Diana Carpenter, DLEG (Moderator)

- Sam Sinicropi, Dept of Education
- Mike Schmidt, Ford Motor Company Fund
- Patty Cantu, Career Prep
- Dirk Funke, Wacker Chemical

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Jack Litzenberg, Mott Foundation

1:00-2:00 **Ingrid Evans** 

Unemployment Insurance Director and High Growth Job Training Specialist for the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA)

2:00 – 2:15 **Break** 

2:15 – 4:30 **Panel Presentation: Three Sector Strategies** 

Maureen, Conway, Aspen Institute (Moderator)

- Scott Sheely, Lancaster County Workforce Investment Board, Pennsylvania
- Mary Pena, Project QUEST, Texas
- Karin Uhlich, Southwest Center for Economic Integrity, Arizona

4:30 – 5:30 Tours, Networking, Reception

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## Day 2 Learning Institute

8:30 – 9:00 am **Networking & Breakfast Buffet at Focus:HOPE** 

9:00 - 3:00 pm (Lunch will be served from 12:00 - 1:00)

Maureen Conway, Dee Wallace, Scott Sheely, Mary Pena, and Karin Uhlich Present an interactive method of <u>Sector Mapping</u> (A visual representation of your initiative)

- Identifying key players
- Conditions affecting a industry
- Workers in the industry

This is designed to help you hone strategies for creating a stronger Regional Skills Alliance.

3:00 – 3:30 pm Wrap-up and Next step for MiRSA sm